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Here are a few more 1/24/17 stories.

#### **TSCA**

Chemical Rules Could Be Affected by Regulatory Oversight Bill

Chemical regulations Congress ordered EPA to issue could be affected by a House-approved regulatory oversight bill, say advocates from two environmental organizations.

#### **PESTICIDES**

Greens sue EPA over new Monsanto compound [XtendiMax, a formulation of dicamba]

A new pesticide from Monsanto Co. endangers public health and could lead to a surge in superweeds, charges environmental groups that have sued U.S. EPA over its approval of the compound.

# **PFAS**

Coakley group: PFCs aren't reaching wells

The Coakley Landfill Group told the City Council that no PFCs coming from the Superfund cleanup site have contaminated residential wells in Greenland, NH.

Waste: DOD backs GAO call to estimate emerging contaminant costs

DOD is agreeing to follow GAO recommendations to start reporting to Congress on the cost of cleaning up emerging contaminants, particularly perfluorinated chemicals, at its closed bases.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, January 24, 2017 10:21 AM **Subject:** Land Team News - 1/23-1/24/17

Here are Land Team news stories for yesterday and this morning. We will update this afternoon with any further articles of interest for today.

# **TSCA**

Chemical Law Is Priority, Says Trump's EPA Pick

Implementing the amended Toxic Substances Control Act is absolutely a priority, Scott Pruitt, President Trump's pick to run the Environmental Protection Agency.

New Small Business Panel Urged to Set Firm Size for Toxics Law

EPA should form a small business advisory panel as it updates its definition of what constitutes a small chemical manufacturing or processing company under TSCA.

# **GENERAL CHEMICALS**

NYC toddlers exposed to high levels of flame retardants: Study [Study]

Study finds 100 percent of toddlers studied had high levels of flame retardants on their hands after exposure.

New concerns over BPA as workers exposed to levels 70 times the average

A new study has raised fresh concerns over the chemical commonly found in plastic packaging, which has been linked to variety of potential health issues.

### **IRIS**

• Latest EPA Chemical Assessment Shows Hurdles For Novel Skin Risk Value

EPA's final IRIS assessment of benzo(a)pyrene (BaP) omits a first-time dermal cancer risk estimate that was included in draft versions of the assessment.

### **PESTICIDES**

Researcher Cited by Pruitt Fighting EPA Over Herbicide

A biologist cited by EPA pick Scott Pruitt is embroiled in a feud with the Environmental Protection Agency over his industry-funded study on a controversial pesticide (atrazine).

Dicamba Herbicide Lawsuit Cites Endangered Species Act Concerns

Environmental groups are challenging an EPA decision to allow the sale of an herbicide marketed as a solution for farmers dealing with difficult weeds.

#### **TRANSITION**

As Rule Freeze Takes Effect, Trump Readies EPA Deregulatory Action Plan

The Trump administration begins implementing its agenda, freezing promulgation/implementation of prior administration rules and preparing to implement a deregulatory action plan.

- <u>Trump EPA has Court Dates, Deadlines Loom</u> [Six Month Chart; highlights some TSCA items]
  As Trump assumes the presidency, EPA has a slew of court dates and regulatory deadlines facing the incoming administration.
- <u>White House Holds Energy, Environmental Rules Pending Review</u>
  The Trump administration is putting recent environmental and energy rulemakings on hold until it can review them and decide which ones to keep and which to toss.
- <u>Trump's political teams land at EPA, DOE</u>

  President Trump's first wave of political staffers are heading into federal agencies today.